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1. IN KEEPING WITH PAST PRACTICE, AMBASSADOR HAS INDICATED TO MFA HIS READINESS TELEVISION FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO SOVIET PEOPLE. IF PROPOSAL APPROVED, MESSAGE WOULD BE PRE-RECORDED ON JUNE 30 FOR BROADCAST ON THE FOURTH. FOLLOWING IS PROPOSED TEXT.

2. (BEGIN TEXT)

GOOD EVENING (DEAR TELEVISION VIEWERS):

I AM PLEASED TO HAVE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAR BEFORE YOU THIS EVENING, AS 216 MILLION OF MY FELLOW COUNTRYMEN CELEBRATE THE 202ND ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. MUCH HAS CHANGED IN THE WORLD SINCE THAT TIME WHEN 13 BRITISH COLONIES IN NORTH AMERICA Banded Together to protect their common interests and their God-given liberties, but one thing has remained constant: the realization by the American people that only in conditions of peace and mutual respect can the inhabitants of this globe, of the old continent and the new, enjoy the fruits of their labor

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AND DEVELOP THEIR LIMITLESS POTENTIAL.

MY COUNTRY AND YOUR COUNTRY BEAR AN IMMENSE RESPONSIBILITY. AS THE WORLD'S TWO MOST POWERFUL NATIONS, IT

IS UP TO US TO SET AN EXAMPLE BY PLACING A LIMIT ON OUR ARMAMENTS, PARTICULARLY OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, BY

ENDING THE COSTLY AND ULTIMATELY FUTILE ARMS RACE,
AND BY MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO PRESERVE THE PEACE
WHEREVER IT IS THREATENED. AS PRESIDENT CARTER SAID
LESS THAN A MONTH AGO, "WE KNOW THAT NO IDEOLOGICAL
VICTORIES CAN BE WON BY EITHER SIDE BY THE USE OF
NUCLEAR WEAPONS."

IN FACT, THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION HAVE
TAKEN SEVERAL POSITIVE STEPS TOWARD ARMS CONTROL SINCE
THE FIRST AGREEMENT TO LIMIT STRATEGIC WEAPONS WAS
SIGNED IN 1972. WE ARE PRESENTLY NEGOTIATING A NEW
AGREEMENT, CALLED SALT-II, TO REPLACE AND REFINED THE
1972 PACT. LET ME ASSURE YOU THAT THE AMERICAN
SIDE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK PERSISTENTLY AND CON-
STRUCTIVELY FOR A FAIR AND EFFECTIVE AGREEMENT. SUCH
AN AGREEMENT WOULD ENHANCE THE SECURITY OF BOTH OUR
COUNTRIES AND IS OF ABSOLUTELY FUNDAMENTAL IMPORTANCE
TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, THE SOVIET PEOPLE AND INDEED
THE PEOPLE OF THE ENTIRE WORLD. IF WE WORK TOGETHER
WITH DETERMINATION AND GOOD WILL, I KNOW WE CAN TAKE
ONE MORE MAJOR STEP FORWARD IN REDUCING THE THREAT OF
NUCLEAR WAR.

ALTHOUGH PROBLEMS ARISE IN OUR RELATIONS FROM TIME TO
TIME AND THERE ARE DIFFERENCES WHICH WILL NO DOUBT
ALWAYS EXIST IN OUR VIEWS OF OURSELVES AND THE
WORLD, THERE ARE MANY FIELDS IN WHICH WE CAN AND DO
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FRUITFULLY COOPERATE FOR OUR MUTUAL BENEFIT. CLEARLY,
THE PATH OF COOPERATION AND THE EXPANSION OF CONTACTS
AND EXCHANGES BETWEEN US IS THE BEST WAY FOR US TO
NARROW THOSE DIFFERENCES THAT DO EXIST.

PRESIDENT CARTER AFFIRMED RECENTLY THAT "WE WILL SEEK
PEACE, BETTER COMMUNICATION AND UNDERSTANDING,
CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGE, AND INCREASED TRADE
WITH THE SOVIET UNION." IT IS THAT ASSURANCE,
SHARED BY THE VAST MAJORITY OF AMERICANS, THAT I WISH
TO CONVEY TO YOU ON THIS, THE NATIONAL HOLIDAY OF THE
UNITED STATES.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

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